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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director, Current Intelligence
THROUGH : Chief, Sino-Soviet Bloc Area
FROM : Chief, China and Asian Satellites Division
SUBJECT : NPIC Analysis of [REDACTED] Mission C285C Flown on 14 May 1965 25X6

1. This memo reports certain analytical findings by NPIC which change or modify information contained in the preliminary field analysis which was issued as SC-04490/65.

2. The primary rail transshipment point at Pinghsiang was not photographed because of cloud cover.

3. The runway at the new airfield at Ningming is in the final stages of construction. The field will have a concrete runway about 7560 feet long by 155 feet wide. It has overruns on each end over 1300 feet in length. A parallel taxiway in an intermediate stage of construction and the outline of two crossover links is discernible. Two concrete alert aprons, three parking aprons (in varying stages of construction), and two aircraft parking revetments are nearing completion. A probable dispersal area and a facility which is probably a POL storage area which is served by a rail spur are also discernible. About 130 buildings were located in the area as are about 45 pieces of construction equipment.

4. At Haikou Airfield there are 41 MIG-15/17 type aircraft, 1 MIG-19, three AN-2's and one single engine aircraft which may be a trainer. No dummies are in evidence as reported in the field readout. We had noted in our preliminary analysis that the aircraft at Haikou were probably operative.

5. Lingshui Airfield was partially covered but the incomplete photography precluded an accurate determination of the number of aircraft there. Four MIG-15/17 jet fighters were noted but other evidence indicates that a regiment is in fact based at this field.

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